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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence

FROM : Frederick P. Hitz  
Legislative Counsel

SUBJECT : 7 December Luncheon with Senator Adlai E.  
Stevenson, III

1. Action Requested: None, for information only.

2. Background: Senator Adlai Stevenson's (D., Ill.) purpose in visiting the Agency on 7 December is, in addition to the luncheon, to be briefed on two areas: Soviet crop estimates of procedures and use of [ ] data in estimating energy resources. [ ] OGCR, will conduct the first part and [ ] who heads up a multi-office, multi-discipline, group known as "Project Challenge," will take care of the second part of the briefing. Both will take place at the Ames Building following your luncheon. His interest derives from the fact that he is Chairman of the Subcommittee on Science, Technology and Space, Senate Commerce, Science and Transportation. He is also Chairman of the Senate Select Committee on Ethics and a Member of the Senate Banking, Housing and Urban Affairs Committee.

2. The Senator is also a member of the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence where he chairs the Subcommittee on Collection, Production and Quality. He will, of course, be interested in the quality of the intelligence analysis involved in crop and energy resource estimates. He is interested in seeing greater emphasis placed on new areas of intelligence, such as those he will be briefed on, and less on military intelligence. Several months ago he commissioned a study on the effectiveness of Executive agencies to deal with terrorism. The study has not yet been completed but we understand that it will indicate that while each agency seems geared up to deal with terrorism there isn't effective inter-agency coordination. The Senator is now second in seniority on the Committee. His term ends at the end of the 97th Congress. If the Committee continues to rotate the leadership each Congress, he will be Chairman for the 97th Congress. If the opportunity arises, you may want to get his views on what the organization of the Committee will be like next Congress, and whether he thinks it should be reduced in size.

3. Two staffers, James Gehrig and John Stewart, will accompany the Senator for the briefings but not to the luncheon unless you wish to include them. We plan to follow this schedule: lunch from 1215 to 1315 hours; travel to Ames Building 1315 to 1330 hours; briefings 1330 to 1530 hours.

4. Recommendation: As you know, I will be sitting in on the luncheon. This will be a good opportunity for us to meet personally with Senator Stevenson. But should you want others present, Les Dirks or Zeke Zellmer, from DDS&T, or Dr. Sayre Stevens, from NFAC, could join you.

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